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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3781**

Eiichi ISHII et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003_1290

Serial No. 10/659,327 : Group Art Unit 1742

Filed September 11, 2003 : Examiner Harry Wilkins, III

METHOD OF SURFACE
TREATMENT OF TITANIUM METAL : **Mail Stop Amendment**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of March 23, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows: